

[Translation]

Excavation of Stone

3258. SHRI V. N. SHARMA : Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government had imposed ban on the excavation of stone from the land of Forests Department in Lalitpur, Uttar Pradesh due to environmental pollution;

(b) if so, whether this has resulted in a loss of revenue in addition to the thousands of people having been rendered jobless; and

(c) if so, the action taken by the Government in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH) : (a) to (c) Detailed report has been called for from the State Govt. of Uttar Pradesh and the same will be laid on the Table of the House.

[English]

Revival of Indian Education Service

3259. DR. SUDHIR RAY :
SHRIMATI GEETA MUKHERJEE :

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government have considered the Chattopadhyaya Commission's recommendation advocating revival of Indian Education Service;

(b) if so, whether the Government have since arrived at some decision in this matter; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The National Policy on Education (1986), inter-alia, envisaged establishment of the Indian Education Service as on All India Service. A Sub-Group of the Committee on Management of Education set up by the Central Advisory Board of Education was constituted to formulate detailed proposals in this behalf. However, it would require further discussions and consultations with all concerned to finalise the proposals.

Ayurvedic Research Centre in Nilgiris, Tamil Nadu

3260. SHRI C. SRINIVASAN : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government propose to establish an Ayurvedic Research Centre in Nilgiris/Ooty in Tamil Nadu to make use of different kinds of fruits, leaves, roots, barks, etc. that naturally grow in the region; and

(b) if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D. K. THARADEVI SIDDHARTHA) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) The Central Council for Research in Ayurveda and Siddha, New Delhi has published a report on the medicobotanical exploration carried